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Honorable Chairman and Commissioners Hawaii Public Utilities Commission 465 South King Street, Room 103 Honolulu, HI 96813

RE: Panel Hearings in Docket No. 2008-0273

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Sempra Generation hereby files its response to the April 1, 2009 Order Establishing Hearing Procedures, wherein the Commission directed the parties to designate an expert for each of the eight (8) panels. As noted in its Final Statement of Position, Sempra Generation does not have a position on several of the issues in this docket, and thus does not have a designated expert available for each and every panel. Sempra Generation is committed, however, to full participation in this docket and in the panel hearing on those matters for which it has an expert available.

Accordingly, Sempra Generation designates Mitch Dmohowski, Director of Commercial Development as its expert for panels I, II and VII in this matter, but does not have an expert available at this time for the remainder of the panels. Given the large number of parties to this proceeding, Sempra Generation believes that its absence from some of the panels will not inhibit the Commission from adequately covering all of the identified issues, and we ask for the Commission's indulgence as to those panels for which we do not have an expert available. We will continue to pursue the designation of additional experts as time and resources permit, and look forward to participating in the upcoming panel hearings to the full extent of our ability.

Respectfully submitted,

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